

The Mississippi Board of Nursing voted on February 9, 2007, to Adopt the following proposed addition to Chapter III, Section 1.3 a. (2) of the *Mississippi Board of Nursing Rules and Regulations*:

(Addition is underlined.)

CHAPTER III. PRACTICE OF NURSING

1. Functions of the Registered Nurse

1.3 The RN shall be held accountable for the quality of nursing care given by self or others being supervised. The registered nurse:

a. May:

- (1) Assign specific nursing duties to other qualified personnel;
- (2) Assign duties of administration of patient medications to other licensed nurses only (either a RN or LPN, or one authorized by a temporary permit to practice) except as set out in Chapter VI;
- (3) Assign duties for giving patient treatments to licensed nurses and/or auxiliary workers based upon knowledge of their educational preparation and experience.